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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of Application No. 10/822,642, filed April 12, 2004 for: OPTICAL FIBER PREFORMS, by: Criag R. Horne, Jesse S. Jur, Ronald J. Mooso, Eric G. Euryrard and Xianxin Bi.

l.	Submission	required un	nder 37 C.F.I	R. § 1.114
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- a. [X]Previously submitted
  - Please enter in the present application the unentered Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, with any attachments, filed on January 9, 2006 in said prior application.
  - [ ] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or reply Brief previously filed on
  - [ ] Other
- b. [X] Enclosed
  - A Preliminary Amendment. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.
  - Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - [X]Other: Preliminary Remarks

## 2. [X]The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra (Equals)	Small Entity Rate	Add'i Fee	OR	Large Entity Rate	Addi'l Fee
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Mult, Dep.			_	+ 180	\$		+360	\$
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<sup>[ ]</sup> First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim [MDC]

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of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

3. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the RCE fee in the amount of \$790.00, and to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

Respectfully submitted,

to Dardi

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

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January 30, 2006

Peter S. Dardi